

Joseph Doane – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Joseph Doane was a second generation Eastham Doane born about 1668. Joseph married Mary Godfrey in 1691. According to records he had a gravestone or monument in Orleans Cemetery which read in part:

He was Deacon of the first Church
in Eastham about forty Years
& in commission for the Peace
in the County of Barnstable for about fifty Years
which Offices (with others he Sustained)
he discharged with Fidelity and Honour

Joseph Doane died in 1757 at age eighty-nine. His wife Mary died in 1725 at age fifty-three.

1689

Granted to Joseph Doane five or six acres at Pochet between the highways and next to land of Samuel Mayo. PDF P55.

1690

Granted to Joseph Doane five acres at Pochet between the highway to Daniel Doane's house and the dry swamp and next to land of Samuel Mayo. Bounds were indicated by stones marked "JD". PDF A117, M275, S81.

1700

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs land next to his other land at Pochet and next to land of Thomas Calley. Bounds were indicated by stones marked "JD". The dimensions indicate the land was about one acre. PDF A117, M275, S82.

Joseph Doane's fence between his land and Thomas Calley's lot was allowed by the Town to stand. PDF P88.

1703

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs a parcel of meadow at Pochet Flats or Low Meadow between Pochet Island and Sampson's Island and near Barley Neck. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about five acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A270, M146.

Granted to Joseph Doane and Titus Wixam and their heirs a parcel of meadow at Pochet High Meadow near the beach. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four and one-half acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes in the ground. PDF M161, S87.

1706

Granted to Joseph Doane a piece of land adjoining his other land and next to Samuel Cole's land. The dimensions indicate the land was about three and one-half acres. Bounds were indicated by stones marked "JD". PDF A286, M48, M49.

1711

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs four acres next to land of Israel Doane and Nathaniel Doane and near the highway. Bounds were indicated by stones. PDF T13.

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs four acres on the westerly side of the highway that went to Monomoy and next to land of Jonathan Sparrow. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T13.

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs four acres of land. Three of the acres were next to Theophilus Mayo's land and next to the pond. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. One acre was at Rock Harbor Meadow next to Doane's other meadow and next to John Paine's land and next to the Salt Pond. Bonds were indicated by stakes and fences. PDF T13.

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs a parcel of land for his wood lot next to land of David Doane and land of John Doane, deceased. The dimensions indicate the lot was about ten acres. Bounds were indicated by stones marked "D". PDF T69.

Granted to Joseph Doane, Joshua Hopkins, Samuel Mayo, Joseph Merrick and Joseph Merrick Jr. the eighteenth lot out of twenty-four lots laid out at Great Island at Billingsgate. Bounds were indicated by stakes. The dimensions given in the record were not complete but probably the lot was about seven acres like most of the other lots at Great Island. PDF T89.

1715

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs two parcels of land. One parcel was about four acres next to Doane's other land and next to land of Thomas Calley, deceased, and near land of William Smith. The other parcel was on the southern side of Doane's other land and near land of John Knowles. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about seven and one-half acres. Bounds of both parcels were indicated by stones. PDF T204, T205.

Granted to Joseph Doane and Samuel Higgins and their heirs a lot near land of Deacon Daniel Doane and near land laid out for the Ministry. Also the lot was near land of John Mayo and near the way that went to the house of Benjamin Higgins. The dimensions indicate the lot was about five and one-half acres. Bounds were indicated by stones. PDF T205.

Granted to Joseph Doane and his heirs a wood lot on the east side of the way to Billingsgate. The lot ran north sixteen pole and due east to the backside sea. Most of these wood lots ran east 320 pole (one mile) which would make the lot thirty-two acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF T268.

1717

Joseph Doane and Nicholas Snow purchased from the Town for one pound land on the southerly side of Rock Harbor next to land they already owned and next to land of Samuel Mayo and next to land for use of the Ministry. Dimensions of the land were not given but the land probably was at least two acres. The land was for Doane, Snow and their heirs. PDF T312.

1722

Bounds were settled between land of Joseph Doane and Town owned sedge ground near the harbor's mouth. The dimensions indicate that the Doane land involved was about three and one-half acres. PDF T325.

The Eastham land owned by Joseph Doane or his heirs described in these records amounts to about ninety-five acres. By 1745 twenty-five more Doanes received Eastham land grants.